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not a few unprincipled persons have actually

placed on the market flour adulterated

with calcium sulphate.

Of the 275 students at Johns Hopkins

University, 140 are "graduates in anatomy"

from nearly eighty different institutions.

The largest bridge in the world crosses

Lake Pontchartrain, at New Orleans, and is

twenty-two miles in length. It is trestle-

work, on piles, and is made of cypress

wood which was first saturated with cre-

osote oil, which renders it impervious to

moisture and proof against the attack of

barnacles.

Convicts who work in Siberian mines

are paid the same wages as other laborers,

the amount going, not to the convict, but

to the treasury of the Minister of the

Interior. At the expiration of their sentence

the convicts are paid 15 percent of their

earnings, the Government retaining the

balance.

When vessels or timber sink to great

depths in the ocean the pressure is so

great that water is forced into the pores

of the wood and it becomes too heavy to

rise again. Ever when a ship is broken

up the detached portions sink like lead.

The pressure makes it impossible for

divers to descend to any great depth.

New York's New Governor.

Governor Hill has the reputation of be-

ing the most bashful of men, and various

anecdotes illustrating this are current in

Albany. One of these accounts for the

singularly youthful appearance which he

presents in the sale of photographs of As-

semblymen, during the time that he was

in the Legislature. The first note that a

new member receives on arriving at the

Capitol is usually a circular from a pho-

tographic establishment, asking him to

call and sit for a picture, which will ap-

pear in the Legislative album annually

made. About three-quarters of the mem-

bers respond to the first call, and a sec-

ond circular brings nearly all the re-

mainder. The few who do not respond

are then personally waited on, first by

the photographer in person, and if he fails, by an

attractive lady attendant; and no one

down to 1871 had been known to resist the

various applications. But D. B. Hill, of

Chemung, in that regard was found to be

unconquerable. A circular had no effect,

the photographer's call had no effect; and

he succeeded in eluding the visit of the

young lady. Time passed, and the artist

was in despair. Many albums had been

ordered, but none could be completed

without the photograph of the bashful

member from Chemung. At length a let-

ter was sent to a photographer in Elmira,

asking for a negative of the bashful law-

maker. But it appeared he had no pic-

ture taken since he was a schoolboy, and

the negative of that was supposed to be

useless since he had arrived at man's es-

tate. The Albanian was not, however, to

be daunted by any such objection. He

promptly sent for the youthful picture:

filled the waiting space in the album with

copies, and thus completed the set of mem-

bers. This accounts for the appearance of

the face, apparently that of a page boy, on

the Chemung place of the album of 1871.

How They Vote in Germany.

A striking feature of the German mun-

icipal system is its entire independence

of national politics. No issues but those aris-

ing out of municipal questions are al-

lowed to influence the city elections. Every

male inhabitant twenty-four years of age

has a right to vote on municipal questions,

provided that he has his own household

and is not dependent on father or mother;

that he has not received alms from the

public funds within twelve years; that he

has paid all municipal dues; that he oc-

cupies a house or pursues a trade with

two employees; that he pays an income tax

or a class tax. Under one or another of

these conditions all inhabitants

personally are included.

That all votes should count equally is

regarded as unbusiness-like. The ar-

rangement adopted to meet this point of

view is this: Voters are divided into

three classes, each of which elects one

third of the City Council. To the first

class are assigned so many of the largest

taxpayers as pay one-third of the taxes

assessed; to the second as many as in the

aggregate pay the second third of the taxes;

to the third class belong all not included

in the first and second. Each of the three

classes elects forty-two members of the

Council, its influence upon questions of

finance being kept in strict accord with

its tax payments. The City Council of

Berlin has long been conspicuous for the

educational and financial conservatism of